



Missouri
Department of
Natural Resources

Open Burning Workgroup
Meeting Summary
February 7, 2006
10:00 am

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Air Pollution Control Program (APCP) held a meeting of the open burning workgroup on February 7, 2006 to discuss open burning issues.

Paul Myers with the Air Pollution Control Program opened the meeting. The meeting agenda listed the continued review and editing of the draft rule that began at the January meeting.

At the January meeting, the workgroup stopped at the end of subsection (3)(A) due to time constraints. The workgroup therefore started at subsection (3)(B) at the February meeting. There was a great deal of discussion on the wording of the opening sentences. These sentences describe when a permit is needed for open burning. Concerns about the wording were that it implied that a permit would be granted under all circumstances. The workgroup wanted to make sure it was clear that a permit is subject to conditions and restrictions. There was also discussion on whether general conditions should be listed in the rule or whether they should be part of the permit. This would include such things as time of day of the burn, location, size, etc. The workgroup also agreed to remove from the list the burning to eliminate dangerous or hazardous material and the listing to eliminate gaseous trade wastes or burning of an industrial chemical safety flare. The workgroup felt these listings could be located elsewhere in the rule or were not necessary.

The workgroup then moved to subsection (3)(C). One discussion item was whether requiring an air curtain destructor as a condition of an annually renewable permit was too restrictive. Another discussion item was the restriction of being 200 yards from the nearest occupied structure. It was discussed if this restriction should be less if the open burning was done with an air curtain destructor. The workgroup agreed to leave language requiring an air curtain destructor and 200 yards in place and see what kind of comments came back when the rule is proposed.

The workgroup decided that the language in subsection (3)(D) should be moved further up in the body of the rule. A suggestion was made to incorporate the wording into section (3) and was agreed upon by the workgroup.

The workgroup agreed on the language found in subsection (3)(E).

Paul will take the comments and edits and prepare a revised version of the rule. This will be sent to the workgroup for comments. Depending on the nature of the comments and the extent of any revisions, a decision will be made whether an additional meeting of the workgroup is needed.

The next workgroup meeting date is tentatively set for March 15, 2006, beginning at 10 a.m. if needed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Attendees:

Tom Burmeister, Twehouse Excavating Co.
Richard Barnes, MDNR/Southwest Regional Office
Kris Ricketts, MDNR/Regional Office Coordinator
Paul Myers, MDNR/Air Pollution Control Program
Garrett Hawkins, Missouri Farm Bureau
Tim Froeschner, St. Louis County Air Pollution Control Program
Randy Cole, Missouri Department of Fire Safety
Wayne Graf, MDNR/Air Pollution Control Program
Paul Jeffery, MDNR/Air Pollution Control Program
Dale Lohmeyer, Warco, Inc.
Todd Crawford, MDNR/Division of Environmental Quality
Lucy Thompson, MDNR/Air Pollution Control Program
Macey Jett, Missouri Department of Transportation
Amy Algoe-Eakin, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7
Tim Turpin, MDNR/Division of State Parks
Laurie Bobbitt, MDNR/Solid Waste Management Program

Tom Sims (phone), MDNR/St. Louis Regional Office